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LUTHERAN SOCIAL SERVICES OF CENTRAL OHIO ANNOUNCES BRAD DRAPER CORPORATE DIRECTOR OF FOOD PANTRY SERVICES

WORTHINGTON, Ohio – Lutheran Social Services of Central Ohio (LSS) has named Brad Draper its corporate director of food pantry services, replacing Barb Packer who retired after serving in the role for the past 8 years. In this position, Draper will be responsible for overseeing the day-to-day operations of LSS' five food pantries in central and southeast Ohio and working on strategic planning initiatives to guide the development and expansion of the LSS food pantry system into the future. Other responsibilities also include working within the community to improve awareness of the LSS Food Pantries and overseeing the Ohio Benefit Bank at LSS, which provides clients with access to benefits for which they qualify.

“I'm pleased we have such organizational depth to have someone so highly-qualified and committed to our mission lead our pantries,” said Rick Davis, vice president. “Brad knows the agency and has a general compassion for people and anyone who has spent time with Brad knows he exudes a great willingness to help those in need.”

Draper joined LSS in 2007 serving as the director of marketing for Kensington Place and Lutheran Village of Columbus and most recently as the director of congregational relations and major gifts officer. Prior to joining LSS, he served as the director of new customer enrollment for a national medical supply company. He received his MBA from the Fisher College of Business at OSU and his undergraduate degree in International Studies from Miami University.

“It's an incredible responsibility for us to provide nutritious food to the hungry families in central and southeast Ohio who need it most,” said Draper. “I'm blessed to be able to work with a wonderful team of staff and volunteers here at LSS as we fulfill our mission and provide hope to people in need.”



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Lutheran Social Services of Central Ohio serves thousands of people each day in central, southern and northern Ohio by focusing on the core societal issues of hunger, housing, healing and hope. LSS provides food pantries, homeless shelters, senior living, affordable housing communities and other programs and services that uplift families and strengthen communities. LSS is affiliated with the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, recognized by the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod and a charter member of Lutheran Services in America.